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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PARM, CCD, UN
SUBJ: CCD: SWEDISH PROPOSAL TO ADVANCE DATE OF UNGA DISARMAMENT
DEBATE

REF: STATE 184843

1. SWEDISH ACTING CCD REP (AMBASSADOR HAMILTON) ASKED TO MEET WITH US ALTERNATE REP TO DISCUSS ADVANCING DATE OF UNGA DISARMAMENT DEBATE AND POSSIBLE EXTRA SESSION OF CCD. HAMILTON SAID THAT SWEDISH OBJECTIVE IS TO PROVIDE OPTION FOR HOLDING EXTRA SESSION OF CCD STARTING IN MID-NOVEMBER IF THERE IS WORK FOR CCD TO DO ON EITHER CHEMICAL WEAPONS (CW) PROHIBITION OR COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR TEST BAN (CTB).

2. US ALTERNATE REP SAID, WHILE US DEL WAS NOT SPECIFICALLY INSTRUCTED ON SWEDISH PROPOSAL, HE WAS CONFIDENT USG WOULD TAKE FLEXIBLE APPROACH IF THERE IS STRONG SENTIMENT IN FAVOR OF ADVANCING UNGA DISARMAMENT DEBATE. HE SAID THAT IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE, HOWEVER, TO LINK ADVANCING UNGA DISARMAMENT DEBATE WITH EXTRA CCD SESSION SINCE WE MAY NOT KNOW WHETHER OR NOT SITUATION IS RIPE FOR ESTABLISHING CCD WORKING GROUP ON CW OR CTB UNTIL JUST PRIOR TO SUCH A SESSION.
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ALTERNATIVELY, CCD MIGHT ADVANCE SPRING SESSION TO EARLY JANUARY 1978 IF EITHER INITIATIVE READY.

3. HAMILTON AGREED THAT LINKAGE WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE AND STRESSED THAT SWEDISH INTENTION WAS TO PROVIDE OPTION. HE SAID THAT RESPONSES TO SWEDISH SOUNDINGS ON THIS IDEA IN SELECTED CAPITALS HAD BEEN MAINLY FAVORABLE, CITING TOKYO

AND SEVERAL NON-ALIGNED AS EXAMPLES. HOWEVER, HE SAID SOME OF THE WESTERN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING FRG, CANADA, AND UK, SEEMED RATHER SKEPTICAL.

4. HAMILTON SAID THAT SWEDISH IMPRESSION WAS THAT PROSPECTS FOR FORMING A WORKING GROUP TO START MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS IN CCD AT AN EARLY DATE WERE BETTER FOR CW THAN CTB.

5. US ALTERNATE REP SAID THAT WE WOULD HAVE BETTER IDEA OF PROSPECTS REGARDING CW AFTER NEXT ROUND OF US-USSR BILATERALS ON THIS SUBJECT WHICH WILL START SOON. HE NOTED THAT NEXT ROUND OF CTB TRILATERALS WOULD START OCT 3.

6. HAMILTON SAID THAT IDEA OF ADVANCING UNGA DISARMAMENT DEBATE HAD BEEN DISCUSSED WITH GROUP OF FIFTEEN (NON-ALIGNED) AT CCD AND THAT THE RESPONSE HAD BEEN POSITIVE. IN AN ASIDE HE REMARKED THAT MEXICAN REP (GARCIA-ROBLES) HAD NOT BEEN NEGATIVE, BUT HAD ALSO NOT BEEN ENTHUSIASTIC. HAMILTON ATTRIBUTED THIS TO MEXICAN REP'S PIQUE AT NOT HAVING BEEN CONSULTED IN ADVANCE. HE SAID THAT SWEDISH DEL WILL PROBABLY NOT RAISE ISSUE OF EXTRA CCD SESSION FORMALLY UNTIL END OF CURRENT SESSION, IF THEN. WITH RESPECT TO ADVANCING UNGA DISARMAMENT DEBATE, HAMILTON SAID THAT HE PREFERRED TO SEE THIS RAISED IN NEW YORK WHEN DECISION IS TAKEN ON AGENDA.SORENSEN

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